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Title: PROCESS FOR PREPARING FUNCTIONALIZED  
POLYALKYLENEIMINES, COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING  
THEM AND USES THEREOF

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 32 pages, including 1 independent claim and 20 claims total.
2. Drawings - 4 sheets of formal drawings containing 4 figures.
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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).  
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on French Application No. 0002059,  
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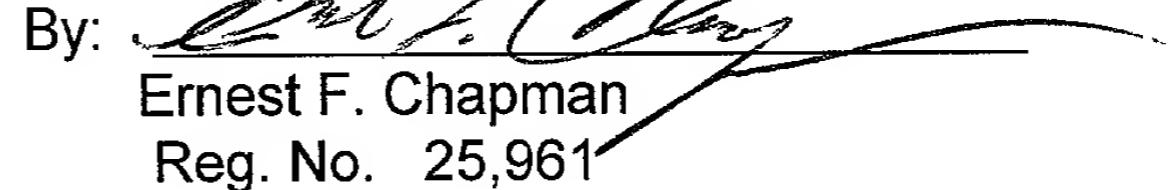
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